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SHORT STORIES

Facts With Frills, Facetious and Otherwise. By "S. S."

DAILY SHIP SCORE—In Port Arthur, 9; at Beaumont, 4.

Another thing this country needs is squirtless grapefruit.

Daily health hint: Never accept a position as president of Poland.

The early bird gets the pick of the presents on Christmas morning.

S. S. would hate to have to depend on the Santa Clauses he sees on the streets for his Christmas presents.

"It's too late to do your Christmas shopping early but it's better to be late than sorry," opines "Shorty" Hooker.

Ed Lehman declares the city will be able to at least finish out today and explained he paid his taxes this morning.

Another old land mark is falling. Carpenters' hammers are playing "taps" on the old wooden building at the corner of Procter and Fort Worth avenue.

If you give any of your children a tin rattler for Christmas you owe it to your fellow citizens to teach them to drive it properly before you turn them loose in it.

One bell in town won't help ring out the old year, and that's the bell on truck number 1, of Central station, broken t'other night from much ringing on the way to a fire.

L. B. Abbey, secretary of the school board, says he knows of one thief inclined to softness. The thief, he adds, took a seat cushion out of an automobile parked nearby his own car on Beaumont avenue late Wednesday.

Frank Kearns, orchestral instructor in the city schools, is exhibiting a little green lizard which crawled [illegible] him while in church Sunday night. The reptile, Kearns says, thrives on flies.

Sore but happy was the condition of City Father A. A. Poteet today, following his return from a two-day duck hunting trip in the marshes with Fire Chief Clyde La Rose, he declared.

Speaking of good Scouts, how about Scouts Earl Youngblood, Ed Hunt and William Caughlin, all of Troop 4, who went up in the woods north of Beaumont Wednesday and brought back a Christmas tree for the Day Nursery?

The principal reason that world war vets don't like to stand in the Christmas package line at the post office is because it brings back sad memories of the times they lined up for reveille, chow, drill, inspection, shot-in-the-arm, retreat and to sign the payroll.

S. S. recently remarked that he considered Christmas an excellent time for a young woman to wed, because if Santa Claus doesn't shower down heavily she can proudly point to her husband and say: "Oh, girls! Look what I got for Christmas." One young lady, however, declares this would leave the way open for some stingy Romeo to give the girl a wedding or engagement ring as a Christmas present.

BONAR LAW ALMOST LOSES USE OF VOICE

LONDON, Dec. 21.—Premier Bonar Law of Great Britain was reported today to have almost lost the use of his voice, as the result of a severe cold. The prime minister's condition, however, is said to be "not alarming."

SENTENCED TO HANG

SAN ANTONIO, Texas, Dec. 21.—Clements Apolinar was today sentenced to be hanged on Feb. 23 for the killing of 14-year-old Theodore Bernhard.

Millions Ahead

A trip abroad has brought $5,000,000 to Mrs. Ida M. Preuth (above), daughter of the late Robert J. Wynne, former postmaster general. London courts awarded her this sum from her husband's estate. The couple has been reconciled.

C. OF C. HERE TO WELCOME LINER

First Ship in Service Is Due Sunday

Arrangements for a welcoming committee to board the first vessel entering Port Arthur in the new Port Arthur-New York service of the Transmarine Corporation are being made at the office of the Chamber of Commerce and Shipping.

Final arrangements are awaiting word which will tell definitely the time of the vessel's arriving, which is expected to be Sunday. The ship, the Sucarseco, left the northern terminus Saturday.

A more extensive program is expected at the time of the arrival of the second ship, when officers of the company, including Joseph W. Scott, the general manager, who will be in Kansas City near that time, will come to Port Arthur.

CONTESTS WILL

Northcliffe's Will Challenged by Woman in Black

LONDON, Dec. 21.—When the late Viscount Northcliffe will hearing opened in the probate court today, proceedings were interrupted by a black-garbed woman.

The woman came forward and told attaches she wished the late publisher's will set aside, as she claimed certain property and money.

The judge heard her request, permitted her to be sworn and to testify, and then proceeded with the case looking to an agreement of te will dated November 22, 1919.

After Viscount Northcliffe's death, when the two wills were found and a strenuous contest in which the publisher's brothers and Lady Northcliffe were involved, followed, Northcliffe left property valued at $10,000,000.

Dugan Named Dallas Transmarine Agent

O. E. Dugan, formerly traveling representative of the Steele line, with headquarters at Galveston, has been appointed general agent for the Transmarine corporation at Dallas, according to a Thursday announcement by J. L. Boyd, general agent at Port Arthur. The Dallas office, which is expected to originate a considerable amount of tonnage outbound, as well as to secure inbound routings through this port, will be opened about Jan. 1, according to the announcement.

BERNHARDT CONSENTS TO TAKE LONG REST

PARIS, Dec. 21.—Sarah Bernhardt, famous actress today consented to take a rest which she previously claimed "for her means death."

Physicians who announced she has passed the crisis of her illness let it be known that, after making many objections, she has agreed to remain in bed for fifteen days or so.

ONE IS HELD IN $200000 HOLDUP

Underworld Character Arrested at Kansas City

MAY BE MASTER KEY

Police Say He's Pal of Chief of Notorious Gang

KANSAS CITY, Kans., Dec. 21.—Joe Wagner, underworld character, was held in jail at St. Joseph, Mo., today in connection with the robbery of $200,000 at the United States mint in Denver.

"I believe the arrest of Wagner will pave the way to the solution of the robbery at the Denver mint and the robbery of the Drovers National Bank here last week," Henry Zimmer, chief of police announced today.

Signs of Hard Driving

Wagner was arrested in St. Joseph when he drove up in front of a hotel in a high powered motor car, showing signs of hard driving.

Wagner refused to return here without extradition papers.

Complicity Charged

Wagner was arrested on warrants charging complicity in Piper and Quindaro State Bank robberies in Kansas.

"We have every reason to believe that Wagner was at least 'in the know' in the Denver mint robbery and the Drovers bank holdup," Zimmer said.

We believe Roy Sherrill, former member of the Dale Jones-Frank Lewis band was the brains behind both robberies. Waner was a pal of Sherrill's for years.

Christmas "Cheer" Market Is Bearish; Booze Price Drops

OKLAHOMA CITY, Okla., Dec. 21.—Bearish activity continued in the local "Christmas cheer" market, according to reports.

Following the announcement of a "bootleg war," which caused a 50 per cent reduction in "corn," [illegible]

"Aged grape wine" was reported as selling for $15 for five gallons.

GAS FIGHT TO GO TO COURT SOON

Attorneys for Low to Act After Holidays

With the new $1.90 gas rate ordinance finally passed by the city commission Wednesday afternoon, the next move in the fight against the rate which is too low, the company claims, to allow the Peoples Gas Company to live, is up to F. Y. Low, the president.

Low expects to lay the latest developments in the case before his attorneys, and the action will be in their hands from that time on. It is not expected that material action can be taken until after the holidays.

A bill from the city for day labor used in digging down to the gas company's gas main for the city's engineers to make an examination in their survey to determine if the gas company is entitled to charge what they ask for gas, was received by the Peoples Gas company Wednesday.

It hasn't been paid, it was reported today. Reports that Low of the gas company laughed when the bill was presented could not be confirmed.

Friday, Dec. 22, will be the last day at which the old gas rates prevail unless the courts later hold that the city commission of Port Arthur exceeded its powers in setting the new gas rate at a $1.90 figure. Friday is the date of official publication of the new rate ordinance, which takes effect "on and after publication," and which throws the first full day of the new rates to Dec. 23.

The meters will not be read by the gas company earlier this month than usual, however—the reading will begin about Dec. 27—according to a statement by Manager F. Y. Low. If the court later holds the company to the $1.90 rate the time between the reading on Dec. 27 and the taking effect of the ordinance on Dec. 22 will be pro-rated.

CHILD HURT

Second Street Car Accident in Single Day

Pauline Datallo, 2 year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Datallo, 618 Houston avenue, who sustained a fracture of her left leg below the knee when struck by a street car in the 600 block on Houston avenue while running across the street about 5 o'clock Wednesday afternoon, was reported to be resting easily at Mary Gates hospital today, and she is not in a serious condition.

Following the accident the little girl was rushed to the hospital in J. E. Grammier's ambulance.

MAY BE PUT IN INSANE ASYLUM

Judge Bartlett Carries Out His Threat

ONE UNABLE TO READ

Another, a Woman, of Poor Eyesight and Deaf

DETROIT, Mich., Dec. 21.—Three persons, two men and a woman, found guilty of speeding, have been declared totally incompetent to drive automobiles, according to a report made to Judge Charles L. Bartlett today.

The report was made by Dr. A. L. Jacoby, city psychopathist, who was called upon yesterday to examine ten persons, guilty of speeding, under a new plan of the court that all guilty speeders be given a mental test.

"I am going to be as charitable as possible in these cases," Judge Bartlett said today. "However, if Dr. Jacoby recommends that they be placed in an insane asylum for treatment, I will follow out his recommendations."

The first man examined by Dr. Jacoby admitted he could not read or write, and during the examination failed to understand traffic signals, "Go" and "Stop". The woman examined was found to have poor eyesight and was declared deaf. The third man examined had the mind of a five-year-old child, Dr. Jacoby reported. The other seven passed the test.

The three found mentally deficient were permitted to go to their homes but were ordered to appear in court next week.

ALL OVER TEXAS

HOUSTON.—An injunction [illegible] believed to be the first of its kind ever granted in the southwest was issued here. Dr. E. M. Evans, physician of Ardmore, Oklahoma, Oklahoma, temporarily restrained R. D. Mackey of Houston from selling a plane he had advertised for sale at public auction.

BEAUMONT—In an effort to keep the Beaumont harbor free from floating oil, port officials have launched a campaign against ship masters who permit refuse oil to be dumped overboard on th ewaters. One arrest has already been made in connection with the campaign.

PLAINVIEW—Cecil Clarence Henderson, was dead here today. The lad was fatally injured when he fell and his head struck an iron spindle which pierced his brain.

PALESTINE—Notice ordering an election for the purpose of voting on a bond issue of $100,000 has been posted by Mayor Bowers of the city commission. The election will take place January 20.

DENTON—Jack McCurley killed a bald eagle measuring seven feet and three inches from tip of one wing to the tip of the other on McCurley Lake near Garza, according to reports here.

TYLER.—One man was killed, another fatally injured, and four others seriously hurt when the steering apparatus of a motor truck failed and six persons were thrown into a ditch.

EL PASO. — Authorities here warn that most liquor available here for Christmas was of "poor quality and dangerous," after a coroner's jury had found that the death of W. E. Rogers, blacksmith, had been caused by alcoholic poison.

DALLAS.—Secured notes amounting to $4,000 and $400 in currency were taken from the home of Morris Tobolowsky by burglars.

EL PASO.—A "good" box was saved from a "blow" here when burglars found the combination of a safe posted on its door. With the aid of the directions, they opened the "box" saw it contained only books and papers, and closed it unharmed.

FAIR

LOCAL FORECAST: Tonight and Friday fair; little change in temperature.

For East Texas: Tonight and Friday fair, little change in temperature; [illegible] in the interior of south portion tonight.

Winds on Texas Coast: Light northerly.

Maximum temperature; 69, minimum temperature, 41; precipitation 0.00. Year Ago Today—Maximum temperature, 74; minimum temperature, 60.

Sunset this evening 5.21 p. m.
Sunrise tomorrow 7:05 a. m.

TIDE RECORD

Time of high and low water at Sabine Pass on Friday, Dec. 22; taken from Sabine Pass Light under normal conditions; tables prepared by the U. S. Geodetic Survey:

High times . 6.01 a.m. 7:03 p.m.
Low tides .... 12:32 p.m.

One Day More and Fatal Auto Crash Wouldn't Happen

One more day and the auto—street car crash which claimed the lives of four Texas Company employes and injured two others yesterday could not have taken place—at least not at the place that it did.

The road on which the automobile party turned off of West Seventh and across the street car embankment is being closed today, the paving of West Seventh street by the county being advanced to the point where the road could be no longer used after today.

The road was used by Texas Company Island Terminal employes and employes at the Gulf Refinery since the farther end of Seventh street was closed for the paving work.

GERMAN COURT FREES ALL OF 93

All Were Tried in Accordance With Treaty

BERLIN, Dec. 21.—The supreme court of Leipzig, in a secret session today, dismissed ninety-three "war guilt" cases tried in accordance with the Versailles treaty.

Generals Von Gallwitz, Von Mackenzen, Von Linsingen, Von Below and on Diekut and Professor Goetz were among those whose cases were dropped. Many witnesses were heard but proceedings were strictly private and allied representatives were not present.

Guilt, Income Unproven.

The court declared the defendants had neither been proven "absolutely guilty nor innocent of crime against German law."

Seven hundred and seventy-one cases are pending. The German trial include the former Crown Prince Rupprecht of Bavaria, accused of depredations from northern France during the war; General Von Mantufell, held responsible for the Louvain outrages; the Duke of Wurtenberg, who ordered troop massacres at Namur and other famous officers. The allies drew up a long list of those considered guilty and required the Germans themselves to try them.

MINOR CHANGES IN SCHOOL PLAN

Contracts for Building to Be Let in January

Taking up in detail the plans and specifications for the proposed additions to the Port Arthur high school and De Queen school buildings, the school board Wednesday night recommended several minor changes, which will be made within the next few days, and made advertisements for bids to construct the buildings placed about the first of the year, L. B. Abbey, secretary of the school board, announced today.

Contracts for constructing the school additions will probably be let the last week in January, Mr. Abbey said, and actual construction work started immediately afterward. While the plans and specifications submitted to the school board Wednesday night by R. C. Alexander, associate architect with W. B. Ittner, of St. Louis, were formally adopted by the board, pending the making of changes recommended, the board was assured that these changes can be made before the first of the year and the advertisements for bids placed in time for contracts to be let late in January, it was stated.

TWO BANDITS HOLD UP 500 SKATERS; GET $42

CLEVELAND, Ohio, Dec. 21.—Two bandits with revolvers held a crowd of 500 at bay last night in a roller skating rink here and obtained but $42. The bandits attacked the ticket seller when he refused to give them a tin box they thought contained a large amount of money. When the skaters and spectators, attracted by the fight, started toward the bandits they fired several shots in the air, holding off the crowd until they obtained the tin box.

XMAS BUNDLE, SEAT, STOLEN FROM AUTOS

Theft of a bundle of merchandise from his automobile and a seat cushion from another automobile parked nearby his on Beaumont avenue between Procter and Fifth street late Wednesday evening was reported to the police by L. B. Abbey, secretary of the school board.

The bundle was removed from his automobile while he and his wife were shopping in nearby stores, Mr. Abbey said.

FUNERALS OF 4 VICTIMS OF CAR WRECK TODAY

Services for Delano Brothers Tonight

BROTHERS PALLBEARERS

Chaisson Funeral 3:30: for Mrs. Morreau This Morning

Funeral services for Pat Delano, 21 years, and his brother, Gerald H. Delano, 23 years, victims of an automobile and street car crash on West Seventh street about 6:40 Wednesday morning, will be held tonight at 7 o'clock from the residence of their mother and step-father, Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Middleton, 1712 Eleventh street the services to be conducted by Rev. Dr. William Oeschger, pastor of the First Christian church, and Rev. Dr. V. A. Godbey, pastor of the First Methodist church, South. Following the services the bodies will be shipped to Roxie, Mississippi, under the direction of J. E. Grammier, undertaker, where burial will be made Friday morning.

Member of K. of P.

Pall bearers, selected from the local Knights of Pythias lodge, will be B. E. Lashly, J. H. Bowen, W. F. Sylvester, L. E. Kelly, Ralph Allen and D. M. Kincaid. All Pythian sisters are requested to be present at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Middleton this evening at 6:45 to attend the funeral services, according to a statement issued today by an official in the lodge.

Pat and Gerald Delano were the only children of Mrs. Middleton. They have resided in Port Arthur for several years, being employed in the lithographing department of the Texas Company. Two months ago, Pat Delano was married to Miss Theresa Hathaway, of this city. Gerald Delano was unmarried, and with Pat, moved to Port Arthur from the family home in Roxie, Mississippi.

At 3:30 o'clock this afternoon, funeral services were held for Emile Chaisson, 28 years of 327 Seventh street, third victim of the wreck, the services being conducted from the residence of Chaisson's parents, Mr and Mrs. Albert Chaisson, 248 Ninth street, Rev. Dr. Oeschger, officiating. Burial was made in City Cemetery, under direction of J. E. Grammier, undertaker.

Chaisson Long a Resident

Six brothers of the deceased served as pall bearers, Jack, Albert and Nat Chaisson, all of Port Arthur; Adrian of Abbeyville, La., and Merrel and Pierre Chaisson, both of Sulphur, La. Another brother, Robert Chaisson, of this city also survives, and other relatives are a widow and three small children, William Paul, 6, Walter James, 3, and Dorothy, 4, five sisters, Misses Emily and Stella Chaisson, both of Sulphur; Jessie, of New Orleans; Ebelle and Enola, both of Port Arthur.

Chaisson had resided here for a number of years, being employed as pressman in the lithographing department of the Texas Company. During the war he served several months in the army, and was mustered out of service on Christmas Eve, 1917.

Leaves Two Daughters Here

The body of Mrs. Amanda Morreaux, 45 years, fourth victim of the accident, was shipped to Opelousas, La., this morning under the direction of J. E. Grammier, undertaker, where burial was made this afternoon. Mrs. Morreaux was a widow, and had resided here for some time, being employed in the accessory department at the Texas Company terminal.

Mrs. Morreaux, with her daughter, Mrs. Henry Brown, lived at 1325 Eleventh street. Besides this daughter, she is survived by one other daughter, Mrs. A. D. Richard, 1111 Thomas boulevard; and two sons, J. L. and Ambrosie Morreaux both of Krotz Springs, La.

BADLY BURNED

Odee Daigle Slips Into Boiling Oil Tank

Slipping into a tank filled knee deep with boiling oil and water, Odee Daigle, 148 West Seventeenth street, sustained painful burns on both feet and legs Wednesday evening about 6.30 while at work at a local refinery, it was reported at Mary Gates hospital today, where Daigle was rushed in a refinery ambulance following the accident.

While Daigle's injuries are severe and painful, they are not serious, hospital authorities stated today. The tank was very shallow, it is reported, and Daigle jumped out before the burns penetrated deeply.

New Bishop

Rt. Rev. Michael J. Keyes (above), formerly of the Catholic University at Washington, is the new bishop of the Savannah (Ga.) diocese. He succeeded Bishop Benjamin J. Keiley, who resigned because of his age and failing health.

Abe Goldberg Pays A. W. O. L. Penalty

Abe Goldberg was introduced at the Rotary luncheon at the Plaza hotel today attired in handcuffs and a ball and chain. The reason as explained by Frank Potts of the membership committee was Goldberg missed last week's luncheon.

The Port Arthur club is in a contest with the Pittsburg, Kansas, club for a perfect attendance record and members not present have been guaranteed the same if not worse treatment next week.

STUMP WRITES PORT'S RECORD

25 Years' Growth Here Told in Magazine Article

Port Arthur's port record—which includes that of her subports—and which in 1920 showed a greater movement of cargo tonnage than either New Orleans or Galveston, or any other American port save New York, is given to the shipping world in general, and that part of it in the world's largest port in particular, in the last issue of the Nautical Gazette, New York.

The figures, which were contained in the 1921 report of the chief of engineers of the army and the last released to date, were given in the course of a story prepared by R. G. Stump, general manager of the local Chamber of Commerce, which traced the growth of Port Arthur from an unknown place 25 years ago to her present place as one of America's biggest ports.

The claim of the port as one of the principal ports of the world for the handling of shipments of petroleum products was featured in the story.

XMAS HOSTS

Boy Scouts to Give 10 Families Christmas Dinners

"Do a good turn daily."

That is one of the cardinal points in the Boy Scout law, and the members of two Port Arthur scout troops are putting the Christmas spirit in the same package with one of the daily good turns and are going to bring a Christmas dinner to 10 Port Arthur families who would otherwise be without.

The two troops are Troop 4 and Troop 6, members of which will Saturday or Sunday distribute baskets with the wherewithals for four and six Christmas dinners, respectively.

SENATOR HARRELD'S FATHER DIES AT 90

ENID, Okla., Dec. 21.—T. M. Harreld, 90 years old, of Ardmore, father of Harley T. Harreld of Enid and John W. Harreld, junior United States senator from Oklahoma, died at his home in Ardmore Wednesday afternoon. Harley Harreld left Wednesday night for Ardmore for the funeral which is to be held Thursday afternoon.

BILLIE MAYFIELD SAYS HE'LL 'EDUCATE' HYLAN

HOUSTON, Texas, Dec. 21.—"I am going to give Mayor Hylan something to holler about," was the comment of "Colonel Billie" Mayfield today, on hearing the letter written President Harding protesting against an article in "Mayfield's Weekly."

"Everything I said stands and I'm going to say some more. I think I'll publish a 'Mayor Hylan special.'"

URGES SEIZURE OF ITS PROPERTY AS GUARANTEE

America's Move Hangs on French Attitude

U. S. QUIZZES POINCARE

Reparations Concessions Are Essential to Action

PARIS, Dec. 21.—"Germany has national property; which I will ask the allies to join us in taking as a guarantee," Premier Poincare declared in the senate today.

He declared that German finances must be co trolled by the allies.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—France may be asked by the United States to place all her cards on the table.

With the success or failure of the American move looking toward a solution of the old world's economic crisis virtually hanging on the attitude of France, this government is understood to be preparing to ask Premier Poincare for a definite statement as to the utmost concessions he is willing to make on reparations and kindred questions in order to relieve the situation.

Inquiry Friendly.

This government realizes the Poincare government faces a difficult political situation because of the strong demand in France for the use of force in the hope of compelling Germany to pay the huge reparations figure which has been imposed upon her and the inquiry to the French government will be propounded in the most friendly manner.

This government has received the German proposal calling for a commission of experts, preferably Americans to revise the reparations down to the highest possible figure that Germany can pay. This proposal was revealed exclusively by the United Press yesterday and caused unusual interest in official circles.

Agreeable to England

It is believed that any plan the United States agrees upon will be acceptable in the main to Great Britain, thus making it necessary to harmonize [illegible] possible the wide differences between France and Germany, if a solution of the problem is to be reached.

The plan of this government is to get the views of all the powers and then outline a common ground upon which negotiations could be opened with the United States acting as a sort of a mediator.

Deny Definite Proposals

State department officials today denied that the informal discussions between this government and the allies had reached the stage where a definite American proposal had been framed and said there was no truth in reports from London that the United States at the request of a trade commission headed by German Chancellor Cuno had proposed an American commission of business men to revise the reparations figure.

This government is inclined to believe that France, while so far assuming an unyielding attitude in direct negotiations with the Germans, will manifest a more conciliatory attitude in response to direct inquiries from the United States. Georges Clemenceau, it is believed here, soon will confer with the French government and state that American public opinion demands some concessions be made, but that Germany be forced to pay reparations to the limit of her ability.

BORAH AMENDMENT TO CALL ECONOMIC MEET

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—A move to instruct President Harding to call a world economic conference, in addition to the proposed disarmament conference, was made today by Senator Borah when he introduced an amendment to the naval appropriations bill now before the senate.

The Borah amendment would take the place of the house provision, encouraging the president to call a disarmament meeting to take up things left undone by the conference of November, 1921.

CONLEY FILES APPEAL

AUSTIN, Dec. 21.—Appeal was filed today in the court of criminal appeals in the case of "Happy" Conley convicted in Young county for murder of Jack Robinson and given 99 years.

AN APOLOGY

The News apologizes to those of its readers who failed to receive their copies until late last night. A consignment of inferior paper sent it by the manufacturers in lieu of the accustomed quality was the cause. Since a "break" of the paper necessitates the removal of 96 feet of paper eight pages wide, necessitating "re-threading" thru a score of intricate press mechanisms, it readily can be imagined the length of time necessary to complete the run.

The News thanks those who failed to receive their paper until late at night for their forbearance. Delivery then was only accomplished through the loyalty of its mechanical force and route carriers who stuck the situation through.

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DENY REHEARING OF WATER CASE

Opponents May Carry Error Writ to High Court

With denial for a rehearing to W. R. Merriman, the Texas Company, and other Port Neches interests fighting the fresh water district, entered by the Ninth court of civil appeals at Beaumont yesterday, attorneys for the district feel that another step has been gained toward an early conclusion of the most important phase of the litigation. Denial of the motion was made yesterday. Joe W. Williams, local attorney who is of counsel to the water district was notified in the usual form this morning.

Nearer a Decision

The case is that much nearer a decision by the Texas supreme court, if it goes to that court, which will be determined when the opponents of the district move for a writ of error to that body. In view of the importance of the case, which is the first under the new law creating the district, as well as one of the first under the constitutional amendment under which the law creating the district was passed, the case may go to the highest court.

Whether it does or not, however, local attorneys are confident of the final outcome following the decision rendered by the appeals court, which sustained the district in every point in issue, both of law and fact.

Attorneys Confident

This confidence is based on the great length of time taken and the great care and study of the law and the facts by the judges of the appeals court in reaching their decision. The decision then, so sweepingly in favor of the district, is taken to indicate clearly the legality and constitutionality of the district and the laws under which it is formed.

There remains pending a case in the district court by which opponents of the district hope to carry the case to the supreme court of the United States—but with the establishment of the legality of the district and its creation in Texas courts it is felt that the eventual victory will then be in sight.

NEFF TO MEET WITH RANGERS

Additions to Force Will Probably Be Asked

AUSTIN, Texas, Dec. 21.—The entire state ranger force of 47 regulars was notified today by Adjutant General T. D. Barton to assemble in Austin on December 2 for a conference with Governor Neff. It was announced by General Barton that the governor desires to confer with the rangers on next year's program for law enforcement and it is probable that at this conference the governor and adjutant general will discuss proposed legislation by the coming session of the legislature for enlargement of the ranger force.

At present there are only forty-seven rangers in the regular force, the appropriation made by the last legislature being insufficient to maintain a larger one.

When the report of the activities of the rangers during the year just closing has been completed it will show, it is stated, that the rangers during the past twelve months have been called upon for service more times than in any corresponding period in the history of the force. This report probably will be submitted to the legislature in support of an effort to have the ranger force enlarged.

POCKET BOOTLEGGER IS TAKEN IN RAID

Discovery of half a pint of liquor hidden under his sweater led to the arrest of a man giving the name of Gus Carlson, marked on the police blotter "held for federal," while officers were raiding a place in the 100 block on Houston avenue about 4:15 Wednesday afternoon. Detective Joe Cotton said today.

Officers raiding the place were Chief M. B. Ward, and Detectives Cowen and Sullivan.

FRENCH FARMER KILLS SELF WITH OWN GUN

MONTESCOFIET, France, Dec. 21.—M. Georges Quentin, a farmer, was accidentally killed by his own hand. M. Quentin was knocking walnuts from a tree. He used his shotgun, holding it with the muzzle pointing toward him. Striking the tree with the butt, the gun discharged killing him instantly.

FIVE INJURED WHEN TRAIN LEAVES TRACK

JESUP, Ga., Dec. 21.—Five persons were slightly injured when a Southern Railway train was derailed several miles south of here early today, according to an announcement by Southern Railway officials. A score or more were slightly shaken up.

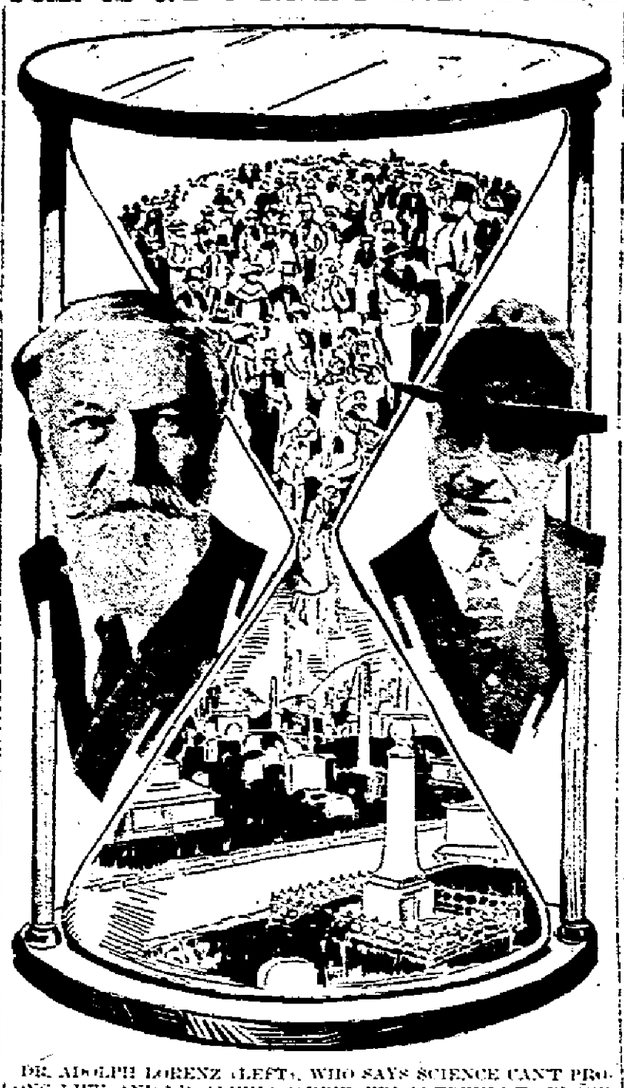
Three Pullman cars left the track, the derailment is believed to have been caused by a broken rail.

MEXICAN COLONY TO HAVE AN XMAS TREE

Members of the Mexican colony will enjoy a Christmas tree with an appropriate program next Sunday evening at 1500 Houston street—the headquarters of the local Mexican colony, according to a Thursday announcement.

Radcliffe college is teaching women politics and the first lesson should be shaking hands.

SCIENCE CAN'T EXTEND LIFE: LORENZ



DR. ADOLPH LORENZ (LEFT), WHO SAYS SCIENCE CAN'T PROLONG LIFE, AND DR. ALEXIS CARREL WHO'S TRYING TO PROVE IT CAN.

BY ALEXANDER HERMAN
NEA Service Staff Writer.

NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—Can science prolong life?

Will John Smith, born 500 years from now, have a better chance of living longer than the John Smith of 1922.

"No", says Dr. Adolph Lorenz, world-famous surgeon.

"Yes" conjecture eminent physicians who have made new discoveries which revive speculations of a return to the age of Methuselah.

Dr. Alexis Carrel of the Rockefeller Institute, has found a new function of the white corpuscles of the blood which may be utilized in lengthening life. These leucocytes, his experiments have shown, protect the body against infection and give new vigor to cells that have lain dormant—even in old age.

Other Theories.

Dr. Benjamin Jablons has discovered a serum for the treatment of sunburns, kidneys declared to be incurable. A Canadian physician has developed a serum for the treatment of diabetes; other scientists have been experimenting with the revigorating of cell tissues by using radium.

"I fully believe," says Dr. C. Everett Field, director of the Radium Institute, "that within another ten years the use of radium to extend the period of man's life will be common."

But Dr. Lorenz who has cheated death many times by miraculous knifeless operations, doesn't believe that these clever men — or any others — will ever succeed in prolonging life.

"Man's laws, such as prohibition and others," he says, "may be broken. But nature's laws—never!

Biblical Law.

"The days of our years, the Bible tells us, are threescore years and ten.

"A healthy life, especially in the open air, with exercise, good food, no vices, will help prolong life more than all the serums that ever could be invented.

"Science can help humanity by teaching the living of a natural life.

"Of all the peoples I know, Americans lead the least natural existence. They are slaves of their labor, whether they be poor or rich.

"This country needs more calm, more peaceful living and less of the rush."

Lykes Bros. Head List of Charterers Of U. S. Board Ships

Lykes Bros., shipping agents operating from the Sabine ports and all other Gulf ports, and maintaining an office in this district in Beaumont, head the list of the managing agents and charterers of U. S. shipping board vessels, according to shipping board figures published in the last issue of the Nautical Gazette. The firm is manager for 27 vessels, with an aggregate tonnage of 210,[illegible].

The Lone Star company, another firm which trades in and out of the Sabine district is listed among the charterers, with three vessels—although since these figures were prepared they have given up their charters and purchased other ships direct from the board.

CONVICTS SELF BY GUILTY PLEA

Jury Was Nine to Three for Acquittal

MEMPHIS, Tenn., Dec. 21.—E. H. Russell, 48, of Hulbert, Ark., who says he was "kidnaped" by pretty Bessie Gillison, 18, and brought to Memphis "to have a good time," began his federal court sentence today for violation of the Mann act.

When Russell's jury, late yesterday, stayed out two hours, he got nervous, arose in courtroom and asked that his plea be changed from not guilty to guilty. The judge granted his request and fined Russell $1,000 or a prison term.

The jury was called in and discharged. It was learned later they stood nine to three for acquittal and were sure to have hopelessly disagreed.

FLORIDA MAN GETS FOUR TROUT IN CAST

MILTON, Fla., Dec. 21.—W. F. Monroe is the luck fisherman of this section. He threw his casting rod into Clear creek and began to haul it in when he got a "strike." The work was a bit harder than usual. Four wriggling speckled trout were trying to get free when he drew in his line. He made two more casts, caught two more big trout and then went home.

HARNESS CO. CITED IN ALLEGED WAR FRAUD

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—Civil or criminal suits, perhaps both, will be filed "very soon" against the United States Harness Company of Hanson, West Va., to protect the government's interest on war contracts, an official of the department of justice stated today at the hearing on the impeachment charges against Attorney General Daugherty.

STUDENTS REBEL AT CHEAP CHOW

Fifty Cents a Day Plan Lasts Two Days

CHICAGO, Ill., Dec. 21.—Pennsylvania co-eds may be able to eat on fifty cents a day, but not so those of Chicago University.

The girls in Greenwood Hall were enthusiastic about the plan when they heard about it. They decided to try it out—and did for two days. Then they reported "met for us."

"The girls in our dormitory pay a dollar a day for board," Miss Charlotte Acker, one of the Greenwood girls, said, "and that is not any too luxurious.

"We've tried the fifty-cent a day eating plan, but now are willing to let the Penn State girls be martyrs."

Marjorie Lore, another of their number, thought the plan "very romantic."

"I am not very keen about it since I've tried it. I suppose it could be done," she added, "if we went about it systematically."

Here's the fifty-cent a day diet, as Anita Nitze outlined it:

Breakfast—Roll, 5 cents; coffee, 5 cents.

Dinner—Short ribs of beef and potatoes, 15 cents; milk 5 cents; ice cream 10 cents.

Supper—Rolls, 5 cents; tea, 5 cents.

"As a result we decided to go about our meals as usual and let father worry about the 'extras'" was the unanimous agreement at Greenwood Hall.

CO-EDS ROUTED BY LIMBURGER CHEESE

PALO ALTO, Calif., Dec. 21.—The Palo Alto high school girls' glee club is in bad odor.

Limburger cheese used as a facial massage for neophytes being initiated into the organization smelled so loud by its scent reached the school authorities who banned meetings for the rest of the school year.

Drag Lake at Mer Rouge in Search Of 2 Missing Men

MER ROUGE, La., Dec. 21.—State militiamen looked on today as plans were completed for dragging Lake La Fourche in search of bodies of two men missing since kidnaped by a masked mob two months ago.

The militiamen arrived here yesterday following orders from Governor John M. Parker. No explanation of their presence has been given.

As work of dragging the lake began rumors were heard on all sides that the bodies had been discovered weighted down with wagon wheels.

A revived rumor was also heard that the kidnapings were the result of a long standing feud between political factions in the Mer Rouge section.

CHRISTMAS MUSIC BY PRESBYTERIAN CHOIR

A program of Christmas music will be rendered by the choir of the First Presbyterian church and musicians from several other churches of the city Sunday night at 7:30, under the direction of Mrs. J. E. Grammier, it was announced today. The public is cordially invited to attend these services.

SCOUT CRUISE

Will Make Trip Up Sabine in Sailboat

Twelve Port Arthur sea scouts next Tuesday will enter into the realization of ambitions of more than half a year's standing—when, in charge of Scout Executive Dave Eddy they sail away from Port Arthur on a four-days cruise and camp among the islands at the upper end of lake Sabine.

The trip will be made in the 26-foot lifeboat which the sea scouts have acquired and with which they have fitted with a sail rig.

Captain Eddy leaves tonight for Lake Charles, La., where he will spend Christmas Day with his parents—returning on Tuesday for the starting of the cruise.

DAY NURSERY KIDDIES GIVEN CHRISTMAS TREE

When the children in the Day Nursery are greeted Christmas morning with a big Christmas tree, laden with gifts, lights and sparkling decorations, Boy Scouts of Troop 4 will be responsible in a large measure for the joys which come to the kiddies at that time, officials of the Day Nursery declared today.

The Christmas tree was brought in late Wednesday afternoon by Scouts Earl Youngblood, Ed Hunt and William Cauchlin, all of Troop 4, who journeyed far into the woods north of Beaumont to get the tree for the Day Nursery, it was said.

LAMBERT POST TO GET FLYING START

Members of the Rudolph Lambert Post, American Legion, plan a flying start toward an effective year's work in 1923 with a rousing meeting on January 3, when with an unusual program and "cats" as twin attractions a record attendance will be expected.

Decision to hold the meeting, and to hold it on January 3 instead of on January 17, was reached at the regular post meeting at the Legion rooms on Lake Shore drive last night—the date being picked because New Year's resolutions will then be fresh in the minds of the legionnaires.

PRAIRIE OIL PAYS 192 P. C. IN LAST 10 YEARS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—The Prairie Oil Company of Kansas has paid cash dividends amounting to 192 per cent in the last ten years—since its segregation from the old Standard Oil trust was ordered by the supreme court—James E. O'Neil, president of the corporation, told the senate committee investigating gasoline prices today.

Since 1900, the capital stock of the corporation has been increased from $300,000 to $60,000,000, O'Neil said.

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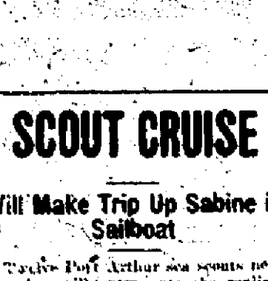

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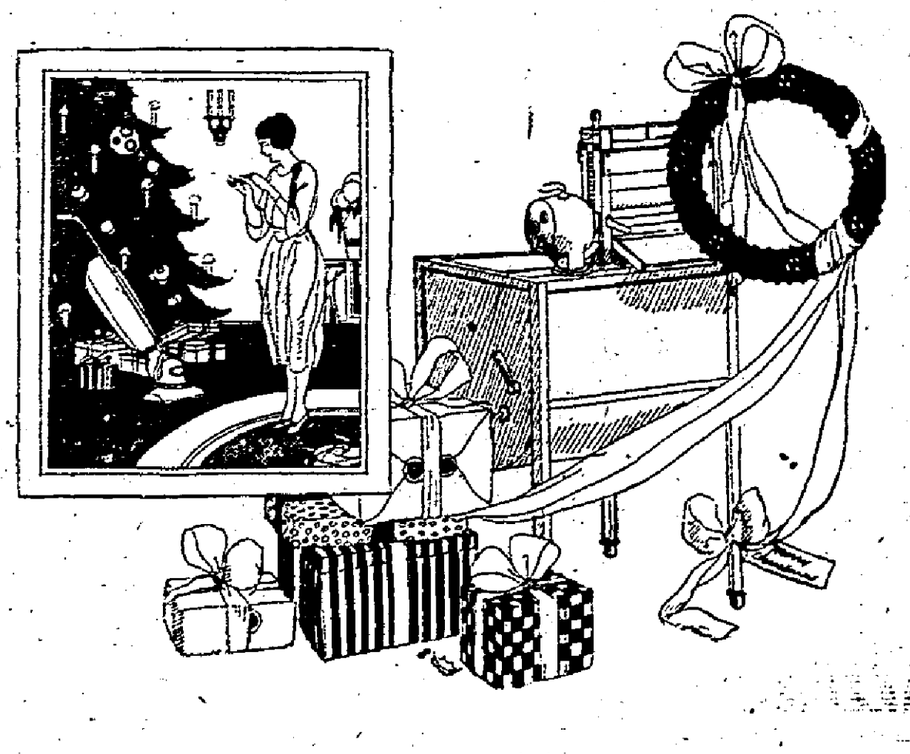

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'LASSES' WHITE HERE TUESDAY

Famous Minstrels to Appear at Elks' Theater

"LASSES" WHITE

The "Lasses" White's Minstrels, under the management of Spaeth & Company, which has scored a phenomenal success in its season tour, comes to the Elks theatre here Tuesday night, Dec. 26.

A company of minstrels, a group of black face comedians, is now rounded is the strongest that has appeared in his support. The substantial success that has attended "Lasses" All Stars since its inception presentation under the management of Spaeth and Co. have made it possible to spend money lavishly on this season's personnel and production, it is claimed.

When it is made known that "Lasses" White was born in the old South it can be understood, in some measure, why his portraiture of the "darky" is so remarkably truthful. His early years were spent in a part of Texas where it was possible for him to see every phase of negro life, and being naturally observant and of an imitative turn, he would amuse the neighborhood by repeating, in dialect, bits of conversations he had heard and by doing the antics he had seen. His fame spread and he was sought by Primrose and West Minstrels. This his first engagement, was quickly followed by contracts with "Honey Boy" Evans, Neil O'Brien and Al G. Fields in order and then, several seasons ago, he became the founder and owner of the "Lasses" White's All Star Minstrels.

MARKETS

NEW YORK, Dec 21.—Sentiment in Wall Street today presented a striking contrast to the pre-Christmas atmosphere of the last few years. Optimism prevailed as a result of the remarkable underlying strength displayed by the market and bullish demonstrations were staged in a broad range of individual stocks.

Mexican Petroleum's sensational rise over sixty points was easily the outstanding feature. But in view of the scarcity of stock floating supplies, this advance bore less significance so far as the fundamental economic situation was concerned than the strength shown by Standard dividend paying stocks, both in industrials and rails.

Persistent accumulation of issues of this character proceeded on the theory that they will be later selling to yield a good rate when money is cheaper. The market closed irregular. Closing prices:

U. S. Steel 106¼, up 1.
Bethlehem B 60¾, up ⅛.
Baldwin 131½, up 2½.
American Locomotive 125½ up 1¼.
Pan-American 88½ up 2½.
Mexican Petroleum 290, up 42.
California Pete 84, up 2½.
Texas Company 47½, up 1.
Studebaker 134¼, up 2.
General Motors 13½, off ⅛.
Kelly-Springfield 41½, up ⅛.
Air Products 128¼, up 4½.
Marine Preferred 34⅞, up 1.
Anaconda 49⅛, off 1.
New York Central 91, up 1.

News developments overnight were generally constructive and stock leaders were steady at the opening today.

Marine preferred was influenced by nervousness regarding action of directors at today's dividend meeting reaching new low on the move.

Rails were strengthened by the publication of car loadings for the week ending December 9, which reached a record total for the period.

Opening prices on the New York Stock Exchange today:

Sinclair 31⅛.
Studebaker 134¼, up ⅛.
Erie 10¾, up ⅛.
Bethlehem B 60¾, up ⅛.
Chesapeake and Ohio 69¼, off ⅛.
Northern Pacific 75, off ⅛.
Southern Pacific 87, off ⅛.
Pan-American 91¼, up ⅛.
General Motors 13⅞.
California Petroleum 64 up ⅛.
American Can 72⅝, off ⅛.
Union Pacific 145⅞, off ⅛.
Utah 63¼, off ⅛.
Atchison 100¾, off ⅛.
U. S. Steel 106¼, up ⅛.

FOREIGN EXCHANGE

NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—Foreign exchange opened firm. Sterling 461½; Francs .0675½; Lire .0503; Marks 0155; Kronen 2061.

The market closed steady. Sterling 4 64; Francs 0745 Lire .0502; Marks 0155 cents.

CHICAGO PRODUCE

BUTTER: Creamery, extras 52c; creamery, standards 45½; firsts 44@46½c; seconds 42@42c.

EGGS: Ordinaries 35@40; firsts 45@49.

CHEESE: Twins 26½@27c; young Americas 27½.

POULTRY: Fowls 15@18½; ducks 18; geese 19; springs 17; turkeys 35; roosters 13.

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Celebrating Their Birthday

These four tiger cubs in the Washington (D. C.) zoo are showing their joy at reaching their first birthday. Pretty husky for one year old, aren't they?

Schooner, 78 Days At Sea, Picks Up Tow; Crew in Want

NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—The schooner Rosa Ferlita of Tampa, Fla., is scheduled to arrive here in tow of the steamer President Garfield after being 78 days at sea.

The schooner, its crew suffering from thirst and hunger and flying distress signals, was picked up 500 miles off Ambrose light by the liner. Sails had been blown to ribbons by gales and masts had gone by the board.

The Rosa Ferlita left Axim, Africa, Oct 3.

TOYS FOR THE KIDDIES.

FREMONT, Ohio, Dec. 21.—All citizens of Fremont, every man, woman and child, have been requested to bring a toy to a local theater to swell the supply of presents to be given to the needy children at Christmas.

OIL BOOMS TOWN

ET RECOVERY, O., Dec. 21.—This town his booming over recent oil discoveries near here. Hotels are crowded and many persons attracted here by business activities are staying at private houses. Rents are advancing.

SNAKES IN WELL

LANCASTER, O., Dec. 21.—G. A. Seiber was cleaning out a spring on the Binkley farm. His work was delayed somewhat when he discovered the spring was full of snakes. He killed nine of them.

G. M. CRAIG HOME TO HAVE XMAS REUNION

Mrs. Edward D. Germain and six-year old son Edward D. Jr., New York City, are in Port Arthur to spend the Christmas and New Year's holidays with Mrs. Germaine's parents, Mr. and Mrs. George M. Craig, 1963 Lake Shore Drive. Mr. Germaine was recently elected president of the Dunlop Tire and Rubber company, and is now on a business trip.

Another daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Craig, Mrs. E. D. Dorchester, and little daughter, Craig, of Waxahachie, Texas, are also visiting at the Craig home, and will remain through the New Year's.

WOMAN STARVES

BRIDGEPORT, O., Dec. 21.—Coroner C. C. Hardesty rendered a verdict of death due to malnutrition and exhaustion in the case of Mrs. Laura E. Milligan, 45, found in the home of a son here. She leaves three small children in a reformatory in Bellaire.

SAYS BOY HAS GUN

CHILLICOTHE, O., Dec. 21—Ross county has the youngest gun toter in the state. He is 14, and attends Lundy School. The teacher complained that the boy carried the gun to school daily.

INFANTS FOUND DEAD

MARTINS FERRY, O., Dec. 21.—Five infants less than six months old were found dead in bed in Belmont county during the past month, Coroner Hardesty reports.

Honduras suggests a big Pan-American league, but America seems to get enough panning without this.

HOLTON TO STAY "OFF" ARBUCKLE

At Least Until Public Shows Its Mind, Says

While not ready to be put in the attitude of kicking a fellow who is already down and who wants to be good, J. A. Holton, local theater proprietor, at least, does look on the reinstatement of Roscoe "Fatty" Arbuckle with anything approaching enthusiastic acclaim.

"I at least will not be the first to rush into the field to book an Arbuckle picture," he said. "I have always taken an arbitrary stand in favor of the banishment of those people who can not behave themselves, or be controlled—I was, I believe, probably the first exhibitor in Texas to cancel Arbuckle bookings.

A Delicate Matter.

"And I think that Arbuckle's reinstatement is rather a delicate matter—some danger might attack from the idea gained by other movie actors who are hard to control that if they are banished for a year, they can then get back.

"At the same time you don't imprison a man for life for dissipation of the kind that Arbuckle indulged in, and I would hesitate to advocate his being blacklisted for life.

"Hays has invoked the spirit of the Christmas season to give point to his urging the public that the man be given a chance—and in the final analysis it is just up to the public to decide if he is to be given that chance—not to an exhibitor to usurp these powers as a judge," he said.

Public Decision Final.

"If the public does not believe that Arbuckle has been sufficiently punished, and that his repentance is sincere—if the public does not believe that the punishment visited on him by the industry will serve as a deterrent in the future—its decision will be final, despite Hays or Zuker or all of the exhibitors in the country.

"If the public decides that Arbuckle broke and almost friendless, has been punished, and that he has changed his mode of life, that verdict will likewise be final, and the man who undoubtedly is a fine comedian, will have his chance. At any rate I intend to give a considerable portion of the public a chance to speak its mind before I book any more Arbuckle pictures."

SCHOOL FOR CRIPPLED

ASHTABULA, Ohio, Dec. 21.—A school for crippled children has been opened by the Ashtabula city school board. An expert teacher is in charge.

ROBBERS WORK FAST

CINCINNATI, Ohio, Dec. 21.—Two highwaymen who leaped out of a closed auto while a third remained at the wheel, took $5 from Edward J. Doll, a pedestrian.

AN APPLE A DAY
will keep the doctor away.
Get them from the
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4 College Professors To Be Banned for Making Home Brew

RALEIGH, N. C., Dec. 21.—Four professors at the North Carolina state college of agriculture and engineering have been asked to hand in their resignations as result of charges that they made "home brew" in their rooms at the school here, Dr. C. C. Reddick, president of the school, announced today.

The requests for the resignations followed an investigation by students who confirmed reports that their teachers were making "booze" in the still hours of the night. President Reddick declared.

Dr. Reddick refused to disclose any further details of the affair and the names of the teachers could not be learned.

NEGRO INJURED

LULING, Texas, Dec. 21.—Henry Johnson, a negro, was seriously injured here when his team became frightened at a train and ran, throwing him under the wagon, which ran across his body. Johnson, who had come from near Ottine, was loading the wagon when the team started to run. He jumped into the wagon and was thrown out under the wheels.

POSTMASTER RENAMED

CALDWELL, Texas, Dec. 22.—News from Washington conveys the news that E. T. Oliver has been reappointed postmaster at Caldwell, and that his name would be confirmed by the senate soon. He has been postmaster here for several years, having been appointed by President Wilson during his first term. There was quite a few applicants for the place.

BLACK CAT UNLUCKY

URBANA, Ohio, Dec 21.—Firemen today found a black cat burned to death near a gas lamp it had overturned at the home of Miss Anna O'Connell here. The room was blazing when firemen arrived.

BOOTLEG SPASM

POMEROY, O., Dec. 21.—A man got on a street car at Minersville to come to Pomeroy. Suddenly he rolled out on the floor, frothing at the mouth. The crew speeded up the car to get medical aid. "Too much bootleg," said the doctor. He is recovering.

Man, 55, Injured in Debate With Another, 30, on Osler Theory

CLEVELAND, Ohio, Dec. 21.—F. C. Jackson, 55, and William Miller, 30, debated the Osler theory today. The Osler theory is that when a man reaches 40 he has served his purpose and is of no benefit to any one thereafter. Jackson contended that the Osler theory was wrong. Miller said it was right. When the debate was concluded Miller had carried his point with a knife. Jackson may not recover.

COTTON GINNING THIS YEAR EXCEEDS 1921

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—Cotton ginned up to December 13, from the crop of 1922, counting round as half bales, totaled 9,493,296 bales, the census bureau announced today.

This compares with 7,790,656 for the same period last year.

MANY TURKEYS ON MARKET

LULING, Texas, Dec. 21.—Turkeys have been coming in at a rapid rate for the last few weeks, and trucks piled high with coops leave Luling nearly every day. Luling dealers report that the volume of business this season has been even larger than in past years, in spite of the fact that the price has averaged considerably lower.

ANCIENT FLIVVER, TOWN'S FIRE DEPARTMENT, BURNS

SUPERIOR, Wis., Dec 21.—Superior's first flivver, the cynosure of all eyes here in 1901, met an ignominious fate for so old a relic—in a fire in a garage at Kelly Lake, Minn., last week. The car was painted red by its owner and was known as the "fire department of Kelly Lake."

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What more desirable gift could you make than a fur piece? Worth while reductions are offered on all furs now.

$35.00 Suits	$17.50
$45.00 Suits	$22.50
$59.00 Suits	$29.50
$98.00 Suits	$49.00
to $19.50 Dresses	$10.95
to $37.50 Dresses	$18.75
to $49.50 Dresses	$32.95
to $79.00 Dresses	$54.95
to $22.50 Coats	$10.95
to $29.50 Coats	$18.95
to $37.50 Coats	$24.75
to $98.00 Coats	$76.95

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Ten Selections	3.75
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500 Needles	.50
Music Book	.10
Record Brush	.25
Victor Opera Book	1.00

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$172.35 Outfit for $165.00

No. 260 New Console Victrola	$100.00
Ten Selections	3.75
Four Albums	6.50
Victor Dog	.25
500 Needles	.50
Music Book	.10
Record Brush	.25
Victor Opera Book	1.00

One Year to Pay For It $172.35

$9.00 Record Outfit $8.00

Crowell-Gifford's special Christmas offer, ten Victor records, your own choosing, $7.50 and one $1.50 record album, total $9.00, all for $8.00, pay $1 cash and $1 weekly. Why not give records for Christmas. They're a lasting joy

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Toy Kitchen Cabinets $1.75 to $12.00
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Flyer Trains $1.85 to $2.50
Doll Beds $1.50 to $2.50
Doll Cradles $2.00
Carpet Sweepers 35c
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DRASTIC ORDERS WON'T HELP EFFICIENCY

Two recent executive orders are calculated to arouse some bitterness among clerks in Washington.

The first, issued by Colonel Forbes, of the Veterans' Bureau, calls for the deduction of a day's pay as punishment for tardiness in punching the time clock mornings.

The second, put out by District Commissioner Keller, takes away from employes in the engineering department the privilege of sick leave—unless deducted from annual leave.

Both orders, of course, were intended in the interest of efficiency, which is a highly desirable end.

But the best sort of efficiency often is not promoted by iron boot methods.

United States government clerks are not chain-gang slaves from whom the overseer can get more work with a whip.

Their work is mental—and bitterness and hatred are not good oils for the human mind.

ADVERTISING

The advertising of American business, in American monthlies and weeklies amounts to about $150,000,000 a year, and newspaper advertising to about $650,000,000 a year, $800,000,000 in all, which is about as high as the bill for America's chewing gum, or lip sticks, rouge and powder.

George W. Hinman asks whether this is worth the money.

And he answers his questions in the affirmative.

For he says that the value of what the United States produces amounts to about $40,000,000,000, and this advertising bill of $800,000,000 is therefore only about 2 per cent of the total amount of goods produced. Advertising is an important and essential element in distribution. It is more than that: it is the self-expression of business enterprise, and keeps it wholesome.

Russia tried the abandonment of advertising and found that advertising and business both departed together. If you are going to cut off all the blossoms from a plant, you are going, after awhile, to have no more plant.

THE UNJUST BORLAND LAW

The commissioners undoubtedly represent a united public sentiment in asking congress to repeal or amend the meaneast piece of legislation ever enacted for the District of Columbia—the Borland law.

The law imposes indirect special taxation in addition to an already burdensome direct taxation. It places upon property owners of the District virtually the entire burden of paying the cost of construction of new roadways and streets, besides the requirement that they pay the cost of sidewalk construction.

Property owners, under this law, pay a special assessment of one-half the cost of paving new roadways and, on top of that, pay the general taxes from which 60 per cent goes for highway maintenance.

Roadways and streets are for the benefit of the whole community and for Uncle Sam's many activities in this, his own federal capital.

If congress wishes to do the square thing it will order an investigation of the unjust workings of the Borland act, calling in those district officials who have been compelled to make and collect the assessments upon properties.

Congress will find that, in many cases affecting poor people owning small pieces of land, the assessments imposed under the Borland act virtually amounted to confiscation and deprivation of the hope of owning homes.

There are many instances where the special assessments were larger than the assessed values of the properties.

This sort of thing is bad enough for the rich, but for the poor it is actual robbery.

TO TALK ABOUT

Today's most prophetic news comes from the electrical wizard, Steinmetz. He predicts that our descendants will have "canned sunlight."

Food and power will be the greatest problems of the future, says Steinmetz. He fears the day is coming when the earth will be so thickly peopled that there will not be enough food for all.

This is the old doctrine of Malthus. His opponents claim that plagues and wars keep weeding us out, to prevent over-population. A greater force, in preventing mouths-to-be-fed from overtaking and passing available-food-supply is man's inventiveness. For instance, a scientist about three years ago perfected a hardier wheat that moved the bread belt 100 miles farther north.

And, predicts Steinmetz, future men will discover a way to bottle up sunshine, just as plants do. Then this imprisoned power will be transferred to grow food in barren districts, also to serve as fuel when the earth's coal supply becomes exhausted.

Future people may call up the store and order: "Send me two barrels of sunshine. The last batch had too much cloud in it."

Today's leading scientific news comes from Dr. Harlow Shapley, head astronomer at Harvard Observatory. He says it's doubtful if climatic conditions on Mars are able to support human life.

But Venus, says Shapley, is a lot like the earth, in climate, so "life on Venus is highly probable."

Will a radio reach us from Venus before we get in touch with people on Mars, if any?

Henry Ford is too busy with problems here on earth to be much interested in theories about life on other planets. He will meditate Steinmetz's suggestoin of storing the energy of sunlight and using it where and when needed. Probably Ford will wonder if the flivver some time will run on sunlight instead of gasoline.

Not to be outdone, Ford contributes this to today's news and food for thought: "A young man with no money, who wants to get married, should get married anyway. Men should marry early in life, regardless of their financial resources. I didn't have any money when I got married."

The senior Rockefeller wasn't much better off when he and his bride stood up before the preacher.

Of the three thoughts furnished by Steinmetz, Shapley and Ford, Ford's is the most important. Men succeed in proportion as they have something to work for. A wife and children spur man on, develop his earning powers. Marriage, to the right person, is any man's best investment.

GERMAN TOYS

At least a third of the toys that Santa Claus will bring to American kiddies this Christmas will have the "Made in Germany" label. This is the estimate among toy importers.

German toys have definitely returned to our markets.

But not on as big a scale as before the war.

In 1914 America bought $7,718,000 worth of German toys. Last year the figure was around $3,000,000, and this will not show much increase when final check-up of 1922 imports is announced.

Toy-making in Germany is in small factories, rarely employing as many as 25 workers. For the most of the toys are produced in homes, where the trade has been handed down from generation to generation.

Most of the German toys are of the inexpensive sort, though making them requires highly skilled hand labor and a sense of the artistic.

These toys are coming again, in a flood. But they are not seriously interfering with the real function of American toy makers, who are following the national trait and turning out toys that can be machine-made on a big scale.

Germany sends miniature doll furniture, lead soldiers, Noah's Arks and Christmas tree decorations.

American makers supply most of the doll carriages, wagons, magic lanterns, electric trains and cast-iron animals.

Before the war, nine-tenths of our toys were imported. We have built up a big toy industry. It is suffering from competition, but it is going to survive—doing the big things and not bothering much with the "small junk" lines.

In 1920 toy imports totaled nearly $11,000,000, the highest ever. This year it will be about two-thirds less.

How much will America pay Santa Claus for all it stays? A very conservative estimate would be $50,000,000.

Adding up all Christmas presents, you'd have a sum running into the billions. All this makes people happy. Keeps hundreds of thousands employed, and wears out cash registers in the stores.

It's a tremendous cost. Since we pay it, let's get our money's worth—enjoy Christmas to the utmost.

Money should be—and in most cases is—the last consideration at Christmas time. Happiness is cheap at any price.

Good Evening Folks!

Europe must remember, however, that the marry-him-to-reform-him idea has been tried and found wanting.

No wonder the bride's mother weeps. It is simply the relaxation from a long and successful campaign.

Daughter is unfailingly thoughtful, and she now is selecting the nice things Dad is to give her for Christmas.

Wine, women and song! Deceased trinity. The wine is gone, and one can't sing, and the women are in politics.

If there is any agreement between Germany and Russia, it is probably something in the nature of a suicide pact.

It frequently happens that "being somebody in society" is just an endless process of dodging bill collectors.

If Henry Ford really wishes to branch out, he might devote himself to the quantity production of emergency wards.

You may despise a man's opinions concerning other matters, but if he likes you, you know he has some good qualities.

Love is the quality that keeps a wife from day-dreaming about what she could do with John's insurance money.

The sad part is not that anybody should get a divorce, but that anybody should be so unfortunate as to desire it.

Says an agitator: "There are crooks in high places, but the man in the street is upright." Not if a flivverite sees him first.

Don't be stupid. How in thunder do you suppose the grocer knows whether the eggs are fresh?

Somehow, isolation doesn't seem quite so splendid when you reflect that a friendly word would place the other fellow on his feet.

Correct this sentence: "Our cook isn't good," said Mrs. Newrich at the party, "and it's all I can do to keep from going into the kitchen to do it myself."

IF WE COULD GET EVERYTHING WE WANTED

The One-Man Woman

IF DAN COULD TELL!

By Ruth Agnes Ebeling

BEGIN HERE TODAY

The greatest tragedy of all came suddenly into the life of

KATE WARD, the girl who had been destined to walk in tragic paths. In her youth she ran away from home after a misunderstanding with her mother. Then came life in the big city, her love of

DAN WARD, her marriage to him, his death and finally her return to the home of her childhood. Her mother, she learned, was dead. Kate settled down to care for her old father,

JUSTIN PARSONS. Then the other woman appeared.

CHINATOWN ALICE, who declared that Dan Ward was the father of her child.

GO ON WITH THE STORY

Kate Ward gazed at the girl, fascinated by the grotesque effect of her bravado and her childishness.

Then her eyes turned to Dorothy and lingered there.

Dorothy was beautiful. Small of frame, well rounded as to legs and arms, brown of eye and hair, with a delicately lovely mouth. There was something strangely like Dan about her. Kate thought there was the same odd combination of spirituality and daring. Kate had loved that in Dan. The child brought it all back too plainly. The sight of her opened the old wounds and set them throbbing afresh.

"Chinatown Alice," she echoed, scarcely hearing her own voice.

"Chinatown Alice," the girl repeated and then laughed. There was no mirth in the cackling sound, simply a rattling and jarring of vocal tones.

"And what—did you want me to do?" Kate questioned, "did you want me to—to take the child, keep her?" falteringly.

"But I couldn't do that, you know," Kate found herself rushing on. "I couldn't—oh, I couldn't!" Her hands over her eyes, shut out the sight of little Dorothy, who still sat on the lounge and watched the two women with wide, wondering eyes.

"Take her! Take her!" Alice broke in. "Take the only thing I've got in all the world!

"I may be a Chinaman's woman," bitterly. "Maybe there isn't much that I care for any more, or much of a show for me, but—I'll keep my child!

"There are other things you could do for her," her voice had lost its fury and her thin, white face was wistful. "If I had a little money I could send her to a nice school where she could take lessons and learn things I didn't have a chance at.

"And she could still be with me nights," she added.

Kate Ward couldn't remember how the interview with Chinatown Alice ended. Suddenly she found herself upstairs in the little room under the eaves—the same little room which had known her sorrow 12 years before—and there she gave way to her grief.

"Oh—Dan—Dan," she was talking aloud, "if you could only come back and tell me about it—I understood it all while you were here—all of the things other people blamed you for—I understood you and knew you weren't untrue at heart—but this, oh, Dan, I can't—I can't live on—even my memory of you is gone now. I can't cherish it—knowing that—you cared for someone else!"

Outside, the sun stood high in the heavens. The little, rain-washed cottage was bathed in golden glory. There were no shadows. The grass, brilliant in the strong light, swayed slightly in a gentle breeze. The heaven-kissing pines were scintillant. Nature was at peace.

But in the room under the eaves Kate Ward suffered.

Finally the door was pushed open. A hand lay lightly on her shoulder.

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COULD ONLY COME BACK AND TELL ME ABOUT IT!"

IT'S MUTUAL

By BERTON BRALEY

When He and She agreed to wed,
According to Dan Cupid's whim,
Her friends say, as they always said,
"I don't see what she sees in him!"
While his friends tear her limb from limb.
He's made a blunder, they aver.
And so they say, with acrid vim,
"I don't see what he sees in her!"

"He hasn't any business head."
"He's too much fat," or else "Too slim,"
"Why didn't she take Bill instead?"
"I don't see what she sees in him!"
And his companions, sour and grim,
Greet all her actions with a slur,
And sigh, while tears their eyes bedim,
"I don't see what he sees in her!"

"My dear, her senses must have fled.
He isn't in the social swim."
"Her future fills me full of dread,"
"I don't see what she sees in him!"
"She has no style." "She isn't trim."
"This marriage ought no to occur."
"Poor Jack"—or Mike or George or Jim—
"I don't see what he sees in her!"

Envoy

They'd cry, were he a seraphim,
"I don't see what she sees in him!"
They'd sigh whate'er her character,
"I don't see what he sees in her!"

RADIUM

You have groped your way along the dark aisle of a Pullman sleeper, seeking your berth number. The Santa Fe railroad now makes the numbers on the green curtains of its *California Limited* shine forth brightly by using radium paint.

Why be jealous of the cat, which sees in the dark? We artificially duplicate its power, by science. For genuine magic, consider radium paint, pocket flashlights and other forms of artificial illumination.

"SOCIETY"

A woman sues for divorce in Brooklyn, N. Y., claiming her husband hates "society." She says: "We came home from a social event. My husband, for some unknown reason, exhibited violent temper. He used profane language, and said, 'This —— business must be cut out.' Thereafter, on an average of three times a week he came home under the influence of liquor and threatened to shoot me."

If a husband's aversion to "society" is to become a cause for divorce, we'd better stop all other bull-ling construction and concentrate on erecting new divorce courts.

YOU AND I

PRICES

Jim Patten, the wheat king, is asked to explain why the farmer's buying power is a fourth less than before the war. Patten's explanation is that industrial wages are fixed artificially, while the farmer's income is regulated mostly by natural competition.

You have always been told by economists that wheat is the barometer or regulator of general prices. Something has gone wrong with that system. There is a new price regulator. It is soft coal.

MINERS

Union soft coal miners in most fields go back to work at the same wages they were getting when the strike started.

Hard coal miners aren't satisfied with that kind of settlement. They want a fifth more than before the strike.

Not hard to understand when you get their viewpoint. Hard coal miners have always claimed that they are more highly skilled than soft coal miners. Up to a few years ago, anthracite miners had their claim recognized by getting more wages than bituminous miners. In asking a raise of 20 per cent, they are trying to get their old relative supremacy restored.

FOOLISH

A whisper grows into a loud argument. Italy talks about annexing Austria. Common sense should teach the Italians that the annexation would be foolish, simply piling trouble on trouble and sowing the seed of future wars.

What is needed on the other side of the Atlantic is a republican United States of Europe—co-operation, not annexation. In time, it will come. Until it does come, Europe will constantly be sitting on the brim of a volcano.

CHINA

Sun Yat-sen, leader of South China, announces that the north and south have buried the ax. He says the civil war is over.

The Chinese may be slow, but it doesn't take them half a generation to settle their fights. They know when they are licked, and take their medicine without haggling. Most of the white man's international troubles are due to refusing to admit the truth. The white statesman usually plays to the galleries. He keeps the corpses of troubles exhibited don ice instead of burying them.

GHOSTS

Thurston, the magician, invents a radio apparatus. He says it picks up "unexplainable tappings" like rappings at a seance, which convinces him that so-called spirit phenomena are founded on something tangible.

This is interesting and important, granting that Thurston is not laying his wires to bring out a radio ghost for his new winter show. He seems to be sincere. To his credit, Thurston has never claimed supernatural powers.

PLANETS

Magician Thurston has an interesting new theory about Mars and other planets, which he believes are "inhabited by beings, physical or spiritual, who are similar to us in mentality."

Thurston suggests that messages received by mediums at seances are not from the dead, but telepathic communications from the super-people out yonder among the stars. If you disagree, how can you prove that Thurston is wrong?

PEACOCK

If you have turkey for Christmas you'll be eating a member of the peacock family. The peacock struts, proud of its plumage. The turkey hasn't the plumage, but he struts anyway, living on his ancestors' reputation. Like many people.

Be tolerant, with the turkey. His strutting is vanity. Vanity is a manifestation of ignorance.

THE MISTAKES OF THE KAISER

By RENE VIVIANI

Premier of France When the War Broke Out

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THE TRIPLE ALLIANCE AND THE WAR OF 1870

CHAPTER VI

The German confederation was definitely dissolved by the Treaty of Prague, which paved the way for the formation of a North German confederation—including, in reality, all Germany excepting Bavaria, Wurtemberg, Baden and Hesse-Darmstadt—which, though not included, entered into an offensive and defensive alliance with Prussia. Thus Germany's military unity was almost completely realized; the king of Prussia, president of the confederation and commander-in-chief of the army, stood at the head of more than one million soldiers.

These violent annexations, however, as well as the Prussian regime, applied to the confederation, aroused discontent everywhere. In the South German states, local prejudices reawakened, and Bismarck saw that, if sentiment must be called into being hatred against a foreign foe, against France. He bent his efforts, during that year toward creating it.

Pretext for War of 1870

The pretext for the war was the candidacy of a Hohenzollern (Prince Leopold) to the throne of Spain. At first, Prince Leopold declined the offer made him, but Bismarck caused him to reconsider this decison. And since, as a consequence of much diplomatic activity, Leopold again declined, Bismarck, enraged at seeing the long sought-for pretext for war slipping away from him made public on July 13, 1870—after falsifying it— a dispatch received from Ems and relating the day's negotiations between the king of Prussia and Benedetti, the French ambassador. This dispatch seemed an insult to France while, at the same time, giving the impression to German that there had been an endeavor to humiliate King William.

On July 19, 1870, France declared war; on September 2, after one month of fighting, Napoleon III capitulated at Sedan. But Paris, having been invested by the Germans, heroically endured a siege, and the fighting was kept up in the provinces until the armistice of January 28, 1871.

In the peace negotiations with Thiers and Jules Favre, Bismark showed unheard-of severity. In accordance with the Treaty of Frankfort (May 10, 1871), France was forced to give up Alsace-Lorraine, pay an indemnity of five billion francs within three years, and endure, up to the final payment of this sum, the rights of occupation of her territory by the Germans. The annexation of her two provinces was made, like the annexations of 1866, without previous consultation of the inhabitants. German unity, brought into being by acts of this sort, and demanded in the name of that principle of nationalities which derives from the "right of peoples to dispose of themselves" had the appearance rather, of being the very negation of this principle.

In the month of November, 1870, German unity having been achieved, the states of South Germany came into the confederation. But, in place of the word "confederation," the word "reich" was substituted; and, on January 17, 1871, at Versailles, in that Hall of Mirors where, 48 years later, the seal was to be placed on the defeat of the "reich," the German empire was proclaimed.

Bismarck's Accomplishment

Bismarck had accomplished the unity of Germany and placed her in the first rank of European powers. During the long years that he continued to remain at his post, he sought constantly to strengthen Germany hegemony in Europe still more and to maintain and fortify political and moral unity within the empire.

With regard to foreign affairs, Bismarck feared above everything else a coalition against Germany; he wished to be certain of the support of certain nations, of the neutrality of certain others. "We have waged victorious wars against two great European powers," he declared in 1879, "now it is necessary to deliver one of the powers vanquished by us from the temptation of allying herself with others in order to get her revenge."

So Bismarck turned to Austria. The year 1872 marks the beginning of the rapprochement between Austria and Germany, to which Russia adhered at first through the Three-Emperor pact. But after the Congress of Berlin (1878), where Bismarck figured as arbiter of Europe's destinies, and after the coolnes that subsequently sprang up in Russo-German relations, Bismarck pressed forward actively toward the conclusion of an alliance with Austria, the vanquished foe of Sadowa and the adversary of Russia in the East. This alliance, signed on October 7, 1879, was directed solely against Russia.

Triple Alliance Drawn Up

In 1882 Italy, too, joined this grouping of powers having for a long time sought the friendship of Berlin. In the Tripoli alliance, as originally drawn up, Italy merely bound herself to remain neutral in case of a conflict with Russia. When the alliance was renewed, though, in February, 1887, supplementary agreements were made dealing most particularly with the situation about the Mediterranean sea and with regard to France.

With reference to the last-named power, the desires of keeping her for as long a time as possible in a condition of inferiority dominated the entire policy of Bismarck, who, though periodically making peaceful advances to France and even encouraging colonial ventures calculated to make her forget Alsace-Lorraine, lost no chance, notwithstanding, to isolate France. He did not even hesitate, on several occasions, when he realized the altogether too rapid recovery of the enemy of 1870, to show his ill-humor and his brutality by means of methods of intimidation or threats of war.

Campaign Against France

Relations between the two countries went through two serious crises—in 1872-75 and again in 1886-87—provoked by Bismarck under the influence of Moltke and the German military party. In 1872 a violent campaign was loosed against France, which finally calmed down in the middle of April as the result of the firm attitude of the French government, and thanks to the intervention at Berlin of the czar and Queen Victoria. Nevertheless, after April, 1874, the campaign of intimidation was resumed and, in the spring of 1875, it redoubled in violence. French armament plans and the new military law of March, 1875, were denounced in the German press and in diplomatic notes, and there was talk in Germany of the necessity of a preventive war.

But France, having nothing with which to reproach herself and nothing desirous of war, made constant protestations of her intentions; furthermore, joint action by the czar and Queen Victoria succeeded in quieting down the German government. In the spring of 1880, however, the agitation began again and it was not cut short until the Schnoebele incident in 1887.

Bismarck gave evidence of being worried at the nationalistic propaganda in France under the auspices of the League of Patriots. The German press, in the course of the winter of 1886-87, prepared the German mentality for whatsoever might betide; military measures, even, were taken.

The Schnoebele Incident

Then the Schnoebele incident occurred. The police commisary of Pagny-sur-Moselle went to the frontier, on the invitation of his German colleague, and, when he had reached it, German agents fell upon him and arrested him for espionage. Schnoebele was turned over to the high court of Leipzig. On this occasion the French government gave proof of a high degree of coolness. Confronted with the material facts of this outrage, Bismarck was taken aback and the incident was closed a few days later.

But this crisis brought about a rapprochement between France and Russia, a prelude to the alliance between these two power—the provocative attitude of Bismarck, therefore, had different results from what he foresaw. But these crises, to which he assuredly attached great importance as instruments of diplomatic action, were also engineered and desired as a goal of internal politics. In a federated state like Germany, wherein the various states had preserved their own institutions and life, there was need of creating a community of interests and aspirations in order to strengthen constitutional ties. The phantom of French "revenche" was a weapon wielded by Bismarck with marvelous skill for the purpose of arousing German chauvinism.

Profiting by these crises, he secured all the more easily the passage of the military laws; thus, in 1874, he had the army increased to 401,000 men on a peace footing; but this change, which Bismarck wished to have made permanent, was voted only for a space of seven years. It was renewed, in 1880, after a further campaign in the press. In January, 1887, Bismarck again demanded in advance the renewal of the seven-year period. The reichstag refused and was dissolved on the self-same day. Less than a year later, in December 1887, a new bill, increasing the German forces on a peace footing to nearly half a million men, was brought forward, and it was passed on March 6, 1888.

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COURT AFFIRMS DEATH SENTENCE FROM BEXAR

AUSTIN, Texas Dec. 21.—Motion for rehearing was overruled today by the court of criminal appeals in the case of G. W. Stephens convicted in San Antonio of murder of T. A. Finucani, August 24, 1921, and sentenced to death.

Two cases against H. W. Adams from Polk county, in which convictions had been had for assault to murder on Adams' wife, with punishment at 15 and 7 years, respectively were affirmed.

The cases of J. Less from Uvalde convicted of alleged violation of the medical practice and fined $100 with sentence of fifteen hours in jail and Chas. Bank from Parrang, charged with possessing liquor, one year, were reversed and remanded.

Prospective Bride Is Robbed of Diamonds By Intended Spouse

NEWARK, Ohio, Dec. 21.—Mrs. Mary Owens, 50, widow, who was enticed away from here under a promise of marriage by W. H. Manning, alias J. J. Billion of Columbus, has returned here in company with her son, Leslie, who was summoned to her relief in Pittsburg.

Manning, who came to this city three weeks ago and engaged board and room at Mrs. Owens' home, said he was a United States secret service man. A few days later he and Mrs. Owens eloped.

Mrs. Owens, still unmarried to Manning, says that he robbed her of her diamond earrings and diamond ring and was arrested by Pittsburg police on a charge of grand larceny while he was attempting a getaway in her auto and collided with another car.

REP OF MINISTERS UPHELD BY SUNDAY

DAYTON, Ohio, Dec. 21.—Billy Sunday sustained the reputation of ministers at a chicken dinner at the Veils Kime Pump Works, where he regaled the 300 employes with a verbal pointing of the way to heaven.

On behalf of employes the company presented Sunday with one of its appliances for installation on his ranch in Oregon.

PLAYMATE TOO ROUGH

ELYRIA, Ohio, Dec. 21.—Lee Davis was arrested on complaint of his wife that he had fired a revolver at her. "Why, honey, I was only playing with you," he said. Mayor Jones thought his playful spell was worth a $500 bond, and held him to the grand jury.

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